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SUBJ: FUELING OF SIXTH FLEET VESSELS AND ARAB OIL EMBARGO

REFS: ROME 12280; ROME 12305

1. YOU MAY TELL DUCCI THE FOLLOWING:

2. I RAISED SUBJECT OF SIXTH FLEET REFUELING
IN MY TALKS WITH SAUDIS IN RIYADH NOVEMBER 8. THEY SAID IT
WAS PART OF GENERAL PROBLEM OF THEIR OIL BOYCOTT POLICY, AND
THEY WOULD TAKE OUR VIEW INTO CONSIDERATION.

3. WE DEEPLY APPRECIATE ITALY'S FIRM REFUSAL TO COMPROMISE
ALLIANCE SOLIDARITY ON VITAL MATTER OF NATO FUEL STOCKS AND
U.S. SIXTH
FLEET OPERATIONS IN COMMON INTEREST.

4. WE HOPE THAT DIPLOMATIC PROGRESS IN RECENT DAYS ON
STABILIZATION OF MIDDLE EAST CEASEFIRE MAY DIMINISH INTENSITY
OF ARAB PRESSURE ON THIS ISSUE. IN THIS CONTEXT THERE IS ALL
THE MORE
REASON FOR ITALY TO STAND FIRMLY BY ITS PRESENT COURSE.

5. GENERAL SUBJECT OF OIL BOYCOTT WAS OF COURSE IMPORTANT
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SUBJECT OF MY DISCUSSIONS WITH SAUDIS. I AM CONFIDENT THAT
FURTHER PROGRESS ABOUT WHICH WE ARE HOPEFUL ON MIDDLE EAST
DIPLOMATIC SIDE WILL IMPROVE POLITICAL CONTEBM OVERALL.
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